

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In the application of	)	
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Naohiko Shiga	)	Examiner: Edward J. Pipala
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Title:	)	
VEHICLE-USE AUTOMATIC	)	Art Unit: 3663
OPENING / CLOSING DEVICE	)	
	)	
Serial No.: 10/526,710	)	Confirmation No.: 7450
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

The following Amendments and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action dated June 5, 2007.

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